## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tadayoshi HASHIMURA

Title: MOUNT STRUCTURE FOR FUEL TANK

Appl. No.: Unassigned

Filing Date: 02/06/2004

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: Unassigned

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

## TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), within three (3) months of the filing date of the application.

## RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The relevance of the foreign-language documents is described in the present specification. English translations of the foreign-language documents are not readily available. However, the absence of such translations does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted foreign language documents (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609). English language abstracts are provided herewith.

Applicant respectfully requests that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

Date February 6, 2004

FOLEY & LARDNER

Customer Number: 22428

Telephone:

(202) 672-5426

Facsimile:

(202) 672-5399

Glenn Law

Attorney for Applicant

Registration No. 34,371

MODIFIED PTO/SB/08 (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control

number.							
· · ·	Substitute for for	m 1449B	/PTO	Complete if Known			
	INFORMATION	DISCLO	SURE	Application Number	Unassigned	<del></del>	
•	STATEMENT BY	Y APPLI	CANT	Filing Date	02/06/2004		
	Date Submitted: F	ehruarv	6 2004	First Named Inventor	Tadayoshi HASHIMURA		
	Date Submitted. 1	Colualy	0, 2004	Group Art Unit	Unassigned		
	(use as many shee	ets as ne	cessary)	Examiner Name	Unassigned		
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	040302-0380		

				U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS		
Examiner Initials*	2	U.S. Patent Document			Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant
	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear

				F	DREIGN PATENT DOCUMEN	TS		
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document				Date of Publication of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where	
		Offic	ce <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup>	Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Documents	MM-DD-YYYY	Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sub>6</sub>
:	A1	JP	2002-046484	Α	DAIHATSU MOTOR CO., LTD.	02-12-2002		Abstract
	A2	JP	2001-146115	Α	SUZUKI MOTOR CORP.	05-29-2001		Abstract

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.) date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>6</sup>			

Examiner Signature	Date Considered	

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup>See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. <sup>3</sup>Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup>For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup>Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.